



PARKS &
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MINUTES
PARKS & PARKWAY ADVISORY BOARD
Ed Burke Recreation Center 11400 NE 9th Court
Wednesday, January 21, 2015 at 6:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL – Barbara Kuhl, Randy Wagoner and Dan Keys were present; Robert Silverman was absent. Krishan Manners, represented Staff.
2. AGENDA ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS – Recommendation for tree planting in the 700 blk of 114 Street to replace Ficus tree that was removed.
3. PUBLIC COMMENT (PERMITTED FOR EACH AGENDA ITEM) -
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – The Board unanimously approved the minutes of 12.17.2014 as circulated.
5. OLD BUSINESS
 - A. VILLAGE STAFF REPORT
 1. **General median maintenance** – No mention.
 2. **Tree removal and tree trimming issues** – Mr. Manners advised that Raydell Landscaping was producing a plan of action for tree trimming.
 3. **Athletic field turf maintenance** – No news.
 4. **Athletic field irrigation system maintenance** – No news.
 5. **Highway Beautification Grant Proposal made for median of NE 6th Ave** – Members expressed the opinion that the landscaping was not looking good regarding the lack of trimming to train the hedge materials (Green Island ficus). Progress towards repairing the irrigation system was discussed and the suggestion that staff look to see if any of the broken pieces of the system (Vacuum breaker and timer) had been saved at the Public Works Facility. The Bid for the work related to the Grant had not gone out as of this meeting.
 6. **Sixth Ave. Bridge Grant** – Krishan advised that the new bridge landscaping had been mulched.



7. Discussion of path forward for design and construction of secondary entrance signage related to grant funding

– Krishan advised that the \$50,000.00 grant had indeed been granted by the County. The Grant is for community signage and landscaping. The intersections of 6th, 8th, 10th Avenues and Griffing Boulevard with 121 Street and 107 Street at the Railroad tracks were mentioned. The Board suggested that the intersections of 11th Place, 7th Ave and 9th ave with at 121st Street be considered moving forward as sufficient funding should be available.

8. Tree Fertilization – No progress was reported on the suggestion for a tree fertilization program. Krishan asked for a suggestion for a fertilizer and Dan Keys advised he would provide one.

9. Million Orchid Project of Fairchild Garden – Barbara Kuhl asked staff if they could provide space in the next Village Bulletin for a blurb regarding this project. Oncidiums, dendrobiums and Cateleya's were mentioned as good candidates for placing in trees.

10. New proposed swale ordinance – A joint meeting of the Parks and Parkways Board and the Code Review Board had taken place on January 15, at 6:30 PM. Much progress had taken place.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. Tree recommendation for the 700 blk of 114 Street – Staff requested that the Board provide a recommendation for replacing the ficus tree that was removed for the median of 114 Street in the 700 Block. After discussing the suggestion by Mr. Keys that the tree didn't need to be replaced due to the fact that a large oak tree East of the location provided a better focal point for median and the fact that the Poinciana would compete with the growth of any trees that were planted to finish out the edge plantings, **the Board Voted 2 to 1, with Mr. Keys dissenting, to recommend that a Poinciana tree be planted in place of the ficus. Staff did not propose the moving forward at this time with planting several needed oak trees on the sides of the median.**

NEXT MEETING DATE – Not discussed.

ADJOURNMENT – the meeting adjourned.



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Minutes of January 21, 2015 were approved on _____

By: _____
Dan Keys, Chair